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Application No.: 09/714,514 ) Examiner: Phi Dieu Tran A  
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For: LOCKING SYSTEM AND )  
FLOORING BOARD )

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Sir:

In complete response to the Official Action dated January 29, 2002, please amend  
the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

*Please replace claims 1-19 with the corresponding amended claims.*

1. (Amended) A locking system for mechanical joining of floorboards, said  
locking system comprising a tongue-and-groove joint, the groove and tongue of which have  
cooperating upper abutment surfaces and cooperating lower abutment surfaces for vertical  
locking of two joint edges of two adjacent floorboards, said upper abutment surfaces  
extending in a first plane essentially parallel to a principal plane of the floorboards and said  
lower abutment surfaces extending in a second plane essentially parallel to the principal  
plane of the floorboards, and said locking system comprising, for horizontal mechanical

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